

Application No. 09/935,392
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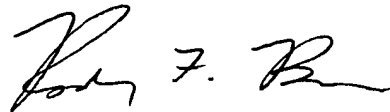
REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 3-5, 7-17 and 25-38 were pending in the above-captioned patent application at the time of the Final Office Action. The Office Action allows claims 3-5, 7-17, 25-34, and 38. Claims 35-37 are rejected. In response to the rejections, applicant cancels all rejected claims 35-37. Claim 38 has also been formally amended to correct an obvious typographical error.

Conclusion

In conclusion, applicant respectfully requests an early notice of allowance since only the allowed claims remain pending in the instant patent application. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (858) 272-8705 for any reason that would advance the instant application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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